SENATE RESOLUTION 145 By Kurita

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Thomas Kim, 2004 Valedictorian of Clarksville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Kim is one such exceptional student who was named Valedictorian of the 2004 graduating class at Clarksville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Kim has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, during his remarkable high school career, Mr. Kim has earned a perfect 4.0 grade point average; and

WHEREAS, he has earned numerous honors and awards during his high school years, including recognition as a National Merit Finalist; he also placed highly in academic competitions for Calculus, Pre-Calculus, Geometry, Latin, Science, and Debate Original Oratory, and he was named Mock Trial Best Defense Attorney; and

WHEREAS, highly involved in his school and community, he has participated in the Governor's School of International Studies, Good Samaritan Clinic, Key Club, Tutoring, National Honor Society, Varsity Tennis, Junior Classical League, Speech Club, and National Forensics League; and

WHEREAS, he is a respected leader among his peers and has served as Class

President, a Student Council Representative, National Forensics League Vice President, Junior

Classical League Co-President, and Varsity Tennis Club Co-Captain; he also attended Youth

Leadership of Clarksville and the Student Congress on Policies in Education; and

WHEREAS, Thomas Kim's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Kim's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor Thomas Kim, 2004 Valedictorian of Clarksville High School, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for much happiness and every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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